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3TITLE : A SELECTIVELY REMOVABLE TIE-DOWN STRAP
WINCH ASSEMBLY FOR A TRAILER OR TRUCK

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENTHonorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

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10 Dear Sir:

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In the above-identified application, please enter the following amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add new claim 10 as follows:

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A) In combination with a vehicle having an elongated cargo supporting bed having opposite sides, each of said opposite sides having stake pockets provided thereon which have upper and lower ends, comprising:

20 a generally Y-shaped winch assembly including a substantially vertically disposed stem portion, having upper and lower ends; a pair of upstanding, horizontally spaced-apart plates mounted on the upper end of said stem portion; a tie-down strap receiver rotatably mounted on and extending between said plates; and a winch

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